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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: US-AUSTRALIA NEGOTIATIONS

REF: STATE 168072

1. AS RESULT OF DISCUSSIONS WITH INTERESTED US AGENCIES,  
USG REQUESTS EMBASSY TO PROPOSE TO GOA THAT SECOND  
ROUND OF CIVIL AVIATION TALKS BEGIN AUGUST 28 IN  
WASHINGTON. EMBASSY SHOULD INFORM AUSTRALIAN AUTHORITIES  
THAT USG BELIEVES IT HAS GONE TO GREAT LENGTHS TO  
ACCOMMODATE GOA REGARDING TIMING OF TALKS. BOTH  
DELEGATIONS ORIGINALLY FELT NEXT ROUND OF TALKS WOULD  
BE IN JUNE BUT USG DEFERRED UNTIL JULY BECAUSE OF  
AUSTRALIAN DELAY IN ISSUANCE OF ITS AVIATION POLICY  
STATEMENT. IT HAS NOW RELUCTANTLY AGREED TO A FURTHER  
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POSTPONEMENT BECAUSE OF GOA'S NON-COMPLETION OF REVIEW  
AS WELL AS CONTINUING UK NEGOTIATIONS. AFTER THIS  
EXTENDED DELAY, USG EXPECTS TO HOLD MEANINGFUL TALKS

ON OUTSTANDING ISSUES ON AUGUST 28. USG ALSO BELIEVES  
SOLUTION TO CONTINENTAL'S ENTRY MUST BE FOUND  
PRIOR TO START OF WINTER SEASON WHEN WE EX-

PECT CONTINENTAL TO START ITS LONG DELAYED SERVICE TO  
SOUTH PACIFIC.

2. FYI ONLY. USG SEES AUSTRALIA INSISTANCE ON COMPLETING  
AVIATION POLICY REVIEW BEFORE HOLDING TALKS AS SIMPLY  
DELAYING TACTIC AND IS NOT OPTIMISTIC REGARDING OUTCOME  
OF AUGUST MEETING. HOWEVER, IT WISHES TO MAKE ONE LAST  
EFFORT TO GAIN CONTINENTAL'S ENTRY INTO AUSTRALIAN MARKET  
THROUGH NEGOTIATIONS CHANNEL. IF SETTLEMENT IS NOT  
REACHED, USG PLANS TO FORCE ISSUE OF CONTINENTAL'S ENTRY  
BY FOLLOWING PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN 1971 MEMORANDUM  
OF UNDERSTANDING AND ACCEPT RISK OF AUSTRALIA RE-  
NOUNCING AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT. CHRISTOPHER

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